

CERAP
CHILD ENDANGERMENT RISK ASSESSMENT PROTOCOL
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 25, 2019

Present: Joan Pernecke, Janet Ahern, Nora Harms-Pavelski, Diane Moncher, Tamara Fuller, Diane Scruggs

Tamara walked the committee through the 2019 Evaluation. The evaluation explores the use of Milestone #3 (MS#3). It was noted that this milestone for the use of the CERAP had not been looked at before because it is used at the discretion of the worker.

Comments prompted from the review include:

- Nora commented that the usage would lead one to believe that MS#3 is being used
- One explanation of the numbers in table # 6 that led to the usage of MS#3 was the worker may get a call but no safety threat was revealed but the family was CERAPed
- Joan thought this might be something to look at
- Diane wondered what was the time line between the information being received and the subsequent contact with the family
- Table #8 supports where DCFS has made a priority
- Diane Moncher wonders if the workers were doing the MS#3 as a tool to help them make a decision on a case or because they have to
- Question whether we could find out what the allegations were for the one with two or more CERAPS in table 12

Possible Recommendations

- **Recommendation to add working to the CERAP narrative to request the reason for the MS#3**
- **Committee will review the draft evaluation and determine if there are additional recommendations**

Diane Scruggs wanted feedback on the best use of committee members time versus the required work of the committee. The committee felt there was no need to change the bylaws related to the number of times we meet. The suggestion was to have two teleconferences per year and 2 in-person/video conference meetings for the purpose of voting and meeting the requirements of the open meeting act.

It was also suggested that we needed to look at recruiting new members to the committee and many have dropped off. Two suggestions emerged:

1. Look at recruiting downstate members
2. Look at bringing in more private agency persons

Diane will contact the CEO's of CHASI, LSSI, LCFS and Center for Youth to recruit members

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

APRIL 12TH 10:00 TO 11:30

JULY 12TH 10- 11:30

OCTOBER 11TH - 10 to 11:30